

# Arizona State Citizen Corps Council February 15, 2018

Arizona Department of Homeland Security 1700 West Washington Street, Suite 210 Phoenix, AZ 85007



# **Meeting Minutes**

Director Gilbert M. Orrantia

### **REGULAR BUSINESS**

#### 1. CALL TO ORDER

9:10 AM - Call to order

#### 2. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

MEMBERS PRESENT:	MEMBERS ABSENT:
Antonio Hernandez	Robert Shogren
Cynthia Anderson	Karen Hauca
Tony Badilla	Shane Levinson
Kara Egbert	
Alexander J. Hunter	
Paul Schickel	
Kim Yonda-Lead	
David J. Harden	
Steve Rutherford	
GUESTS PRESENT:	
Jeff Krane- Arizona Department of Administration	
Eduardo Camacho	
John McGee	
AZDOHS STAFF PRESENT:	
Cheryl Kennedy on behalf of Gilbert Orrantia	
Marisol Chavez	

#### 3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Action: Council approval of minutes as submitted for August.

Motion made by Cynthia Anderson and seconded by David J. Harden. Motion passes.

Action: Council approval of minutes as submitted for November.

Motion made by Cynthia Anderson and seconded by Alexander J. Hunter. Motion passes.

#### **GENERAL BUSINESS**

## 1. STRATEGIC PLAN REPORTS

Establish activities and tasks for each of the three goals under the Strategic Plan Report by creating workgroups. Workgroups will plan to provide an activity report at the next AZSCCC meeting.

- a. **Serve** as a State voice for the network of Citizen Corps Programs and local councils through enhanced communication and outreach
  - i. **Proposed work group activity:** Update the program roster, assist with the newsletter, and help update training links to the AZSCCC website. Participants for the committee will include Arizona Department of Homeland Security (Cheryl Kennedy and Mar Chavez), Alexander J. Hunter, David J. Harden and Cynthia Anderson (C.J.).
- b. **Promote** Citizen Corps Program participation and volunteer activities which strengthen community preparedness, response, and resiliency
  - ii. **Proposed work group activity:** Promote volunteer activities, identify collaborative events to offer programs, reach out to more partners to participate in the programs. Participants in the committee will include Alexander J. Hunter (A.J.) Kim Yonda-Lead, Kara Egbert, and Cynthia Anderson (C.J.).
- c. **Strengthen** our internal capacity to support the growth and sustainability of local Citizen Corps councils and programs through collaboration with local, state, federal, and tribal agencies
  - iii. **Proposed work group activity:** Facilitate support and technical assistance, review and develop additional objectives as needed, and conduct a survey of the available registered partner programs

in Arizona. Participants in the committee will include Alexander J. Hunter (A.J.) and Cynthia Anderson (C.J.).

#### **Local Program Reports**

**MRC** (Alexander J. Hunter): MRC of Southern Arizona posted a 3-day critical incident stress management training as well as a volunteer readiness workshop in February. Mohave County Medical Reserve Corps was put on standby for alternate care site deployment back in January. Apache county MRC currently received a challenge award from the National Association of County and City Health Officials (NACCHO) for mental/emotional health. They also ran a series of *Train the Trainer* events.

**Daisy Mountain CERT (Paul Schickel):** Daisy Mountain CERT will initiate new CERT classes in March. Any agencies that would like to get an individual caught up are welcome to attend. CPR and First Aid trainings will also be provided for the month of May.

**Greater Green Valley CERT (John McGee):** Started a teen CERT program with the Sahuarita High School with 33 students participating. Training is held every Tuesday afternoon. Greater Green Valley CERT is also preparing for the adult CERT classes coming up in March.

Gilbert Fire (Kim Yonda-Lead): Gilbert Fire currently has of their largest CERT classes going on. If anyone is interested in looking for outreach to the community regarding your programs or increase attendance, the Nextdoor app seems to be working very well for Gilbert to educate their community.

**Yuma County (Tony Badilla):** Yuma County volunteers recently participated in a Highway Cleanup event. They provided traffic control for the Harley Davidson Toy drive last quarter. Yuma County CERT has also connected through the Nextdoor app to reach out to individuals who are interested in CERT volunteer opportunities. The next CERT basic training will be held on March 8, 10,15, and 17, 2018.

Greenlee County (Steve Rutherford): Greenlee County continues to provide CPR and First Aid training.

*Fire Corps (Kim Yonda-Lead):* Kim Yonda-Lead is in contact with national Fire Corps. She will check with them to determine who the current State advocate is for Arizona.

#### **Veterans Stand Down Event**

**Presentation (Cynthia Anderson):** Animals in Disaster, Empty Bowl Pet Food Pantry, is changing their name to include humans in disasters. *Animals and Humans in Disasters* will be their new name. CJ gave an overview of the nonprofit organization, their mission and the events they have participated in. One of their most successful events was the Veterans Stand Down event recently held in Maricopa County on January 25-27, 2018. Upcoming Veterans Stand Down events: Mohave County Tri-State, Bullhead City will be hosting an event on March 2-3; Pima County, Tucson, March 15-17; and Coconino County, Flagstaff, May 18, 2018.

Antonio Hernandez: The 2018 National Mass Care Exercise will take place May 21-24. This may be an opportunity for collaboration. If your program is interested in participating here are two ways to get involved, 1. Local Shelter exercise play, please contact your emergency management department to coordinate, and 2. Player/Actors needed to exercise the American Red Cross (ARC) Mobile Shelter in Phoenix (at the Pagago Park Military Reservation) please contact ARC Regional Disaster Officer at Beth.boyd@redcross.org

Attendees were reminded of potential resources for preparedness planning: the Arizona Weather Dashboard (<a href="http://www.wrh.noaa.gov/fgz/AZDashboard">http://www.wrh.noaa.gov/fgz/AZDashboard</a>), Heat Relief Public Service Announcement (https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=frExMlqvUtc) and Cooling Stations Maps (https://www.maricopa.gov/2461/Cooling-Stations-Water-Donation).

#### AZDOHS UPDATES/COUNCIL ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Homeland Security Grant Program application period is currently open the deadline for applying has been extended from February 16 to February 23, 2018. The FEMA Citizen Corps website is under construction. Information regarding preparedness can still be accessed through the Ready.gov website. FEMA is now accepting applications for the Youth Preparedness Council. Applications are due March 18<sup>th</sup>, 2018. Grant Smith from Gila County CERT submitted an application to serve as a member on the State Council. His application is currently being reviewed and processed by the Governor's Office of Boards and Commissions. There are vacancies for members representing Charitable Organization/Focus on Disaster Readiness, Volunteers in Police Service and Neighborhood Watch.

#### 2. Call To The Public

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Action: Meeting adjourned at 11:26 AM. Motion made by David J. Harden and seconded by Cynthia Anderson.